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NEED TO INTEGRATE DISASTER MITIGATION WITH DEVELOPMENT PLANNING

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether in the context of the earthquake in Gujarat there is an urgent need to integrate disaster mitigation with development planning; and

(b) If so, the details thereof; and action taken, if any, in this direction?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)&(b): Disaster mitigation and preparedness are in-separable for process of development planning. There are number of Central Plan Scheme which contribute to disaster mitigation viz. Drought Prone Area Programme, Desert Development Programme, Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme, Sampurna Gramin RozgaYojna, Integrated Child Development Scheme, Flood Control Scheme etc.

The Eleventh Finance Commission has also recommended that medium and long- term measures be devised by the concerned Ministries of the Government of India, the State Governments and the Planning Commission to reduce, and if possible, eliminate, the occurrences of these calamities by undertaking developmental works.

State Governments are expected to integrate disaster mitigation and preparedness with development planning.